GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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PRODUCTION OF NATURAL GAS IN ANDHRA PRADESH .
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is large production of natural gas in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, whether Andhra Pradesh has not got any benefit of it within the State;

(c) if so, whether Government of Andhra Pardesh has requested the Union Government to instruct the GAIL to start town gas supply to other towns in Andhra Pradesh; and

(d) if so, the progress made so far in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a): Presently about 5.15 million standard cubic metres per day (MMSCMD) of natural gas is being produced in Andhra PradeshIn addition about 0.87 MMSCMD of gas is produced from the Ravva offshore field, off the Andhra Coast.

(b), (c) & (d): Gas Authority of India Ltd. (GAIL) is currently supplying natural gas to the tune of 6 MMSCMD to various consumers including power and fertilizer sectors in the State of Andhra Pradesh. An allocation of 0.10 MMSCMD of natural gas has also been made to the Andhra Pradesh Industrial Infrastructure Corporation Limited (APIICL) for the town gas supply project in Andhra Pradesh GAIL and APIICL have signed the Heads of Agreement (HoA) and also a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for execution of the town gas supply project.